



Incident Management System

MABAS DIVISION 10 TRAINING OFFICERS ASSOCIATION

Objectives

Upon completion of this class:

- Understand basic IMS terminology
- Define roles and responsibilities
- Identify positions within system
- Utilize basic IMS concepts in small and large scale events

Terminology

[?] IMS-Incident Management System

- **A management tool which structures the organization of an entire emergency incident. This will allow for interagency responses. (Compare to ICS, FGC)**

[?] IC / Command Staff / Sections / Branches / Sectors

Incident Management System

Implementation

- **Use to manage all incidents**
 - Single engine to disaster mode
 - EMS, HazMat, Fire, Rescue, Training
- **Expandable**
 - Can grow with the complexity of the situation

Incident Management System

Communications

- **Standard Protocols and Terminology**
- **Established guidelines for support of the escalation of operations from small to large**
- **Priority radio transmission**
- **Frequency utilization**

Incident Management System

Interagency Coordination

- **Coordinate with other agencies who might respond to an emergency incident**
- **Unified Command==One Incident Commander**
- **Liaison with other agencies**
- **Cooperate when not in control of situation**

Incident Management System

Command Structure

- Identify positions within structure tied to function during incident
- Modular--use only elements needed
- Determine levels based on span of control
- Definition of standard supervisory positions
 - Function, geographic position, combination

Incident Management System

Training and Qualifications

- **ALL personnel shall be trained in the use of the IMS**
- **IC's must have training in IMS at particular levels they are expected to function in**
- **IC make assignments based on these qualifications**

Incident Management System

[?] Personnel Accountability

- **Provide for accountability at the scene**
- **Routinely use a system at all incidents**
- **Evacuation protocols**
 - **Roll calls after this determination**

[?] Emergency Incident Rehabilitation

- **Medical evaluation, hydration, food, shelter**

Responsibilities of Command

- ❑ Remove endangered occupants and treat the injured**
- ❑ Stabilize the incident and provide for life safety**
- ❑ Conserve property**
 - *PROVIDE FOR THE SAFETY, ACCOUNTABILITY AND WELFARE OF PERSONNEL--ONGOING THROUGH INCIDENT**

Functions of Command

- [?] Assume and announce command and establish an effective position**
 - Utilize geographic identifier (Main Street Command)
- [?] Rapidly Evaluate situation**
- [?] Initiate, maintain and control the communications process**
- [?] Identify overall strategy, develop management plan**

Functions of Command

- ❑ Develop and effective Incident Command organization**
- ❑ Review, evaluate, and revise the incident management plan**
- ❑ Provide for the continuity, transfer and termination of command**

Establishing Command

- [?] First Arriving unit on scene shall establish COMMAND**
 - **Must maintain COMMAND until properly transferred**
- [?] Single companies may only require announcement of unit on scene**
- [?] Larger/multiple responses should utilize the IMS structure to develop system**

Establishing Command (cot.....)

Initial Radio Report

- Designation of unit arriving
- Brief description of incident situation
- Obvious conditions
- Brief description of action taken
- Declaration of strategy; offensive, defensive
- Assumption, identification and location of Command
- Request or release of resources as needed

COMMAND OPTIONS

[?] Nothing Showing Mode

- Investigation by first arriving officer

[?] Fast Attack Mode

- Offensive attack which requires first officer to assist attack team in incident stabilization
- Company officer goes in with crew and maintains command via portable radio
- Lasts a few minutes until incident is stabilized or **COMMAND** is transferred to another officer

COMMAND OPTIONS (cot.....)

Command Mode

- Due to size and complexity, require immediate establishment of strong IMS.
- If company officer initiates the COMMAND mode, the following options are available for the remainder of crew:
 - Perform initial operations
 - Assign to support functions within the IMS

Transfer of Command

- ❑ May be predetermined through dept. SOG's**
 - Transfer should consist of the following elements**
 - Briefing on initial conditions**
 - Initial attack options used**
 - Resources available and already allocated**
 - Forecast of situation**
 - Company officer may rejoin crew or assist in Command structure as indicated**

Duties and Responsibilities INCIDENT COMMANDER

- **Provide continuing and overall command and progress reports within framework of MABAS operations**
- **Review and evaluate attack efforts and revise as needed**
- **Secure the incident and strike out the alarm**
- **Release companies in orderly manner**
- **Transfer Command to subordinate when incident has de-escalated**

Duties and Responsibilities

OPERATIONS OFFICER

- **Develop operations portion of Incident Action Plan**
- **Provide direct management of all incident tactical priorities and activities including safety of all personnel in Operations section**
- **Select proper radio channel to communicate strategic and specific objectives to Branches and Sectors**

Duties and Responsibilities PLANS OFFICER

- **Advise IC of current situation and predict probable course of incident**
- **Prepare primary and alternate strategies for the IC**
- **Collect, evaluate, and disseminate information about the incident**

Duties and Responsibilities PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER (PIO)

- ❓ Under the direction of the IC, the PIO shall release appropriate information to the media while acting as the liaison between the Media and Command.**
 - Allows the IC to concentrate maximum efforts on incident at hand**

Duties and Responsibilities LIAISON OFFICER

- ❑ Meet all arriving outside agencies and pass on instructions from COMMAND relative to the situation on their requested assistance**
- ❑ Act as liaison between outside agency and COMMAND.**

Duties and Responsibilities WATER OFFICER

- **Assess existing water supply at an incident and seek out additional water supplies as necessary**
- **Inform COMMAND of available water supply status**
- **Assess the availability of remote water supply and prepare to implement relay operations**



Duties and Responsibilities LOGISTICS OFFICER

- **Meet all arriving support units and direct to a staging area**
- **Become communications link between support units and COMMAND.**
- **Control activities of support units**

Duties and Responsibilities

TECHNICAL ADVISOR

- **This position is not generally a uniformed member of a department.**
 - **Chemist**
 - **Engineer**
 - **Plant Manager**
 - **Owner**
 - **Individual with specific technical knowledge**

Duties and Responsibilities SECTOR OFFICER

- ❑ Responsible for tactical deployment of assigned units in their sector**
 - May be Alpha designator (A.B.C.D)**
 - Functional Area (Roof, Interior, Water Supply)**
 - Larger incidents will utilize Alpha sector officer coordinating several individual companies**

Duties and Responsibilities

SAFETY SECTOR

- ? Evaluation of structural safety**
- ? Monitoring of toxic or explosive conditions**
- ? Manage special situations which expose firefighters to hazards**
- ? Highly mobile position to monitor entire fireground**

Duties and Responsibilities STAGING OFFICER

- ❑ Assist IC with the location, establishment and operations of the staging area**
 - Inventory management of regular and specialized equipment in the staging area**
 - Advise IC of equipment and resources available--assigns specific companies to IC requests for duty**

Duties and Responsibilities

MEDICAL OFFICER

- [?] Extrication Sector-Established in multi-patient incident requiring extrication of trapped victims**
- [?] Treatment Sector-Initiated to provide for complete field triage and pt. Stabilization**
- [?] Transport Sector-Final segment in pt. Flow process. Management of transportation of patients to appropriate medical facilities**

System Components

Integrated IMS System

- [?] Use of the system is recommended in multi-jurisdictional responses.**
 - Police - Fire - EMS - HazMat - Utilities
 - Disasters
- [?] Incorporate elements of system that are required for function within the incident**
 - Don't utilize components that are not needed

System Components

Integrated IMS System

Incident Commander

- Overall responsibility for incident operation

Command Staff

- Public Information Officer
- Safety Officer
- Liaison Officer

System Components

Integrated IMS System

Planning Section

- **Maintain resource status and accountability**
- **Evaluate organization and span of control**
- **Forecast possible outcomes**
- **Obtain and utilize technical assistance**
- **Coordinate outside agency needs**
- **Maintain incident records**

System Components

Integrated IMS System

Logistics Section

- Service and support systems
- facilities, transportation, supplies, equipment, fueling, maintenance, feeding, communications, rehab

System Components

Integrated IMS System

Operations Section

- **Manage incident activities**
- **Tactical components of operation**
- **Assign resources**
- **Determine needs and request additional resources**

System Components

Integrated IMS System

Finance / Administration Section

- **Financial and administrative functions**
 - purchases, overtime, staffing, cost recovery